

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL

Lack of Association of Antihypertensive Drugs with the Risk and Severity of COVID-19: A Meta-Analysis

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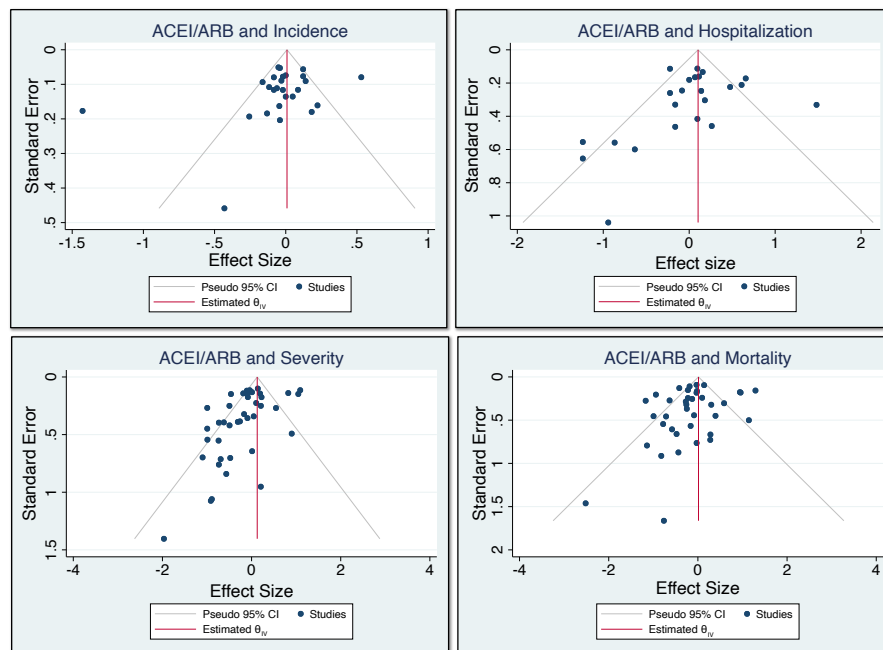
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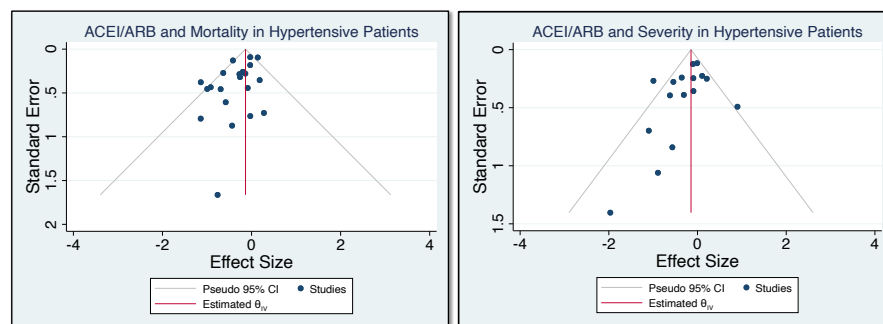
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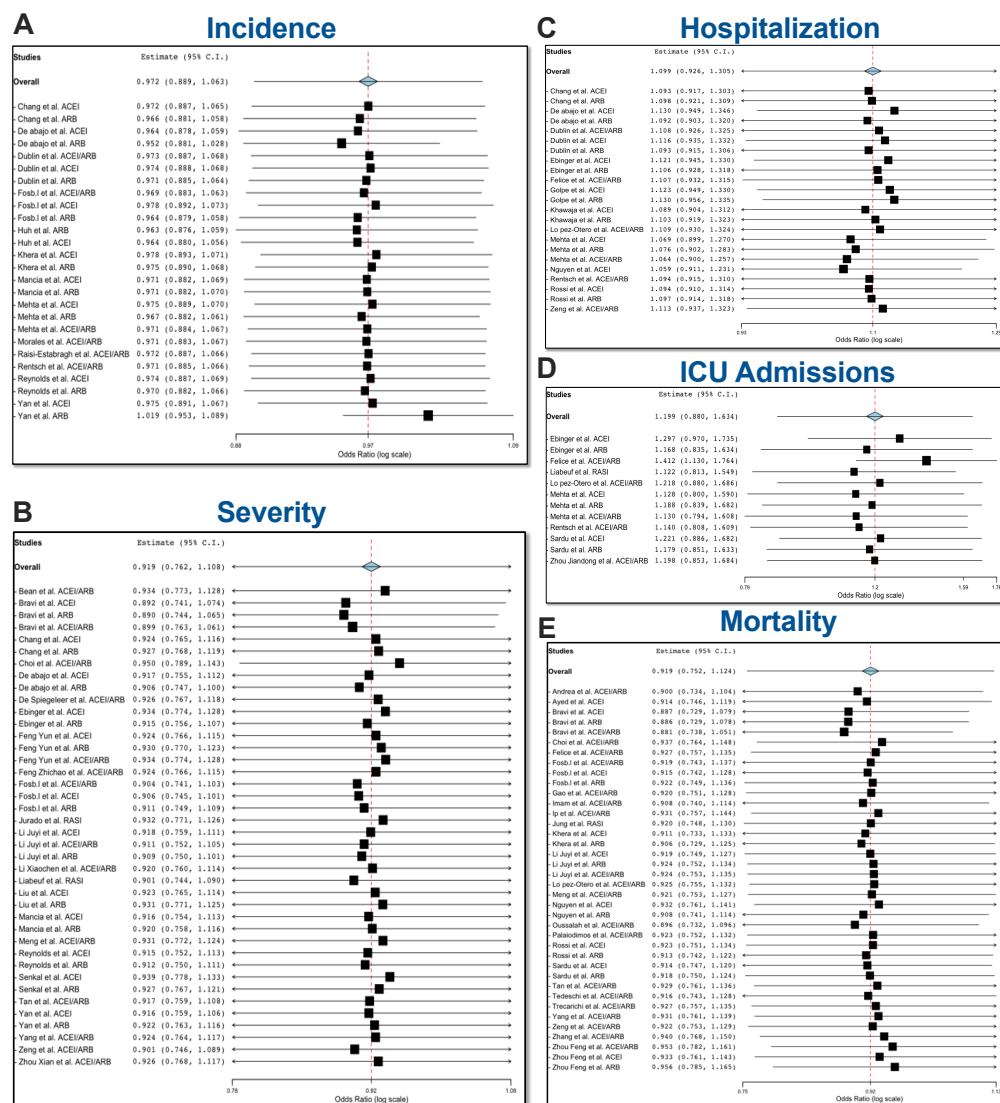
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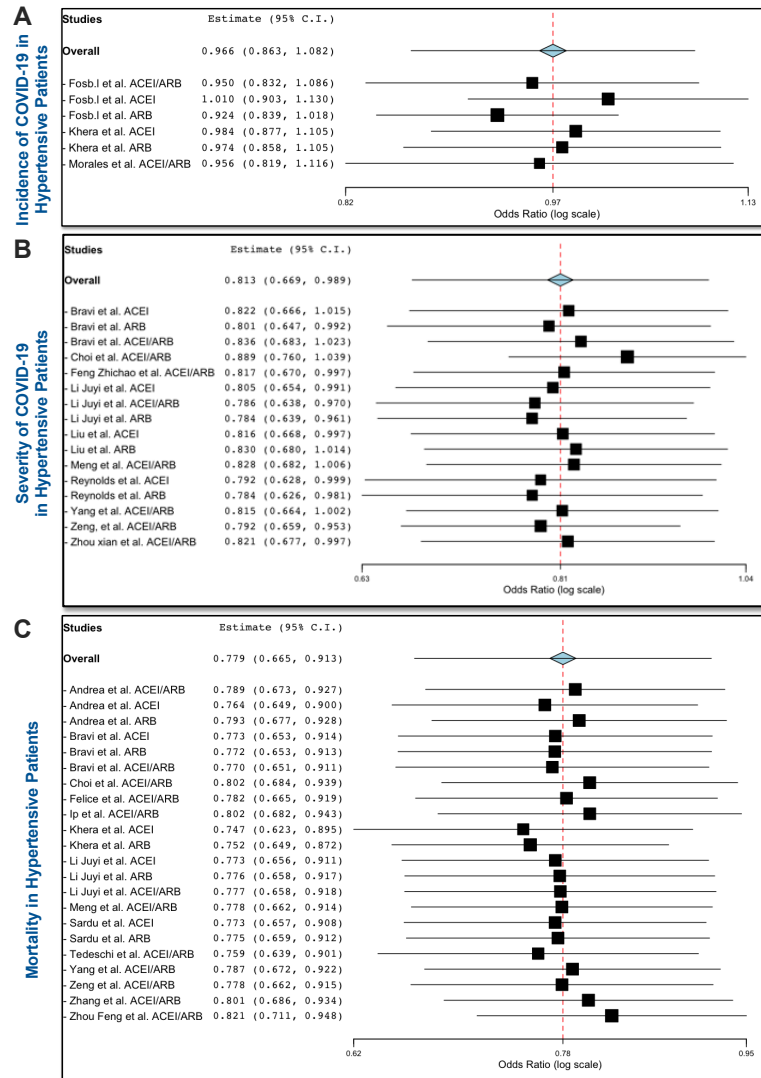
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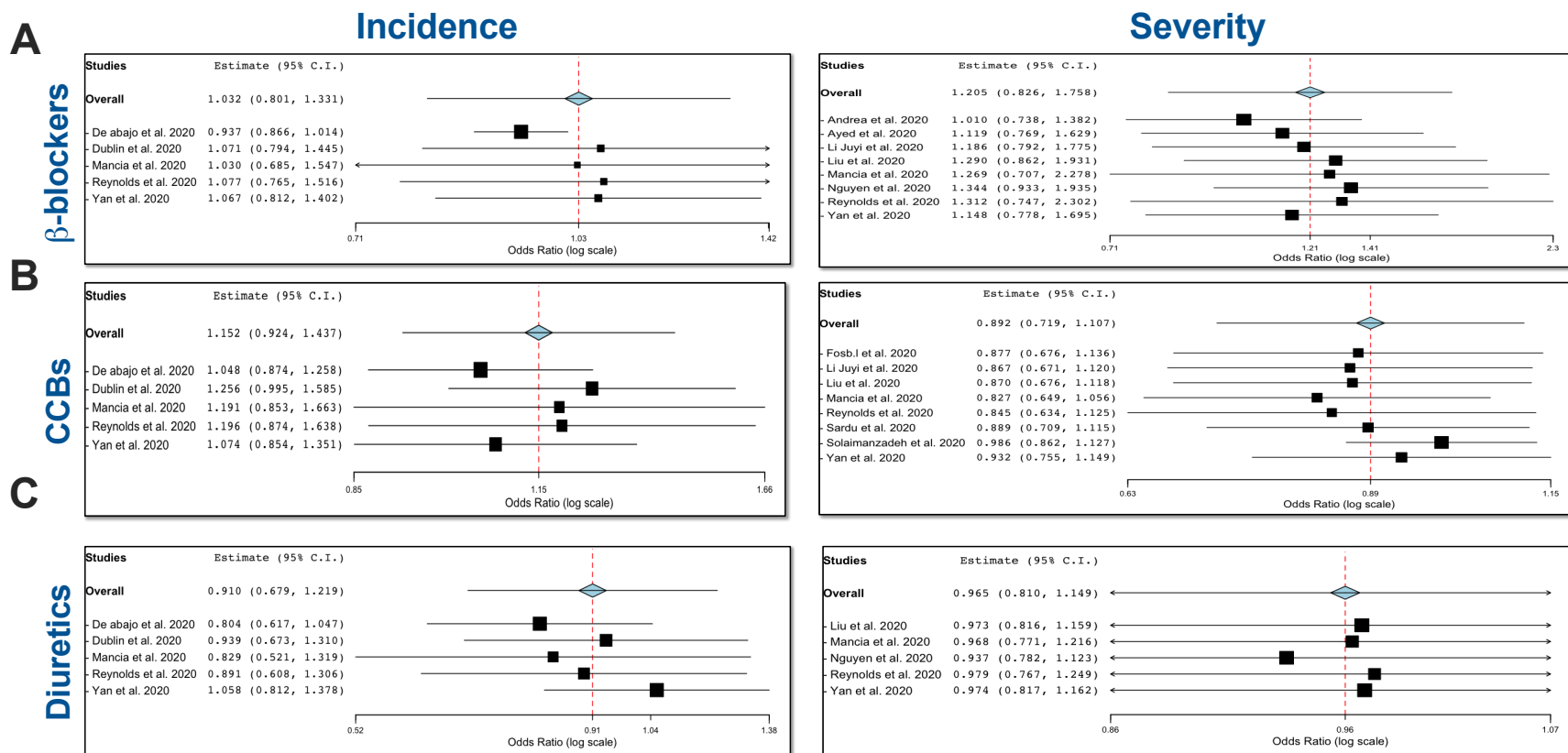
Online Figure 1. Funnel plots showing publication bias for **A)** ACEIs/ARBs with respect to incidence, severity, hospitalization, and mortality. **B)** Funnel plots showing publication bias for ACEIs/ARBs with respect to severity and mortality in hypertensive patients.



Online Figure 2. Leave-one-out-meta-analysis of prior usage of ACEIs/ARBs with respect to **A)** incidence, **B)** severity, **C)** hospitalization, **D)** ICU admissions, and **E)** mortality.



Online Figure 3. Leave-one-out-meta-analysis of prior usage of ACEIs/ARBs with respect to A) incidence, B) severity and C) mortality.



Online Figure 4. Leave-one-out-meta-analysis of prior usage of A) β-blockers, B) CCBs, and C) diuretics on incidence and severity of COVID-19.

Online Table 1. NOS for Assessment of Quality of Included Studies: Cohort Studies

Study	Selection			Demonstration that outcome of interest was not represent at the start of the study	Comparability		Outcomes	
	Representativeness of exposed cohort?	Selection of the nonexposed cohort?	Ascertainment of exposure?		Comparability of Cohort	Assessment of outcome	Was follow-up long enough for outcomes to occur	Adequacy of follow up of cohorts
Andrea et al.	★	★	★		★	★	★	
Ayed et al.	★	★	★		★	★	★	
Bean et al.	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
De Spiegeleer et al.		★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Dublin et al.	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Felice et al.	★	★	★		★	★	★	
Feng Zhichao et al.	★	★	★	★	★	★		★
Fosbøl et al.	★	★	★		★	★	★	
Gao et al.	★	★	★		★	★	★	★
Golpe et al.	★	★	★		★	★	★	
Imam et al.	★	★	★		★	★	★	
Jung et al.	★		★	★	★		★	★
Khawaja et al.	★	★		★	★	★	★	
Khera et al.	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Li Xiaochen et al.	★	★	★		★		★	★
Liabeuf et al.	★	★	★		★	★	★	
Liu et al.	★	★	★	★	★		★	★
Lo´pez-Otero et al.	★	★	★		★	★	★	
Mehta et al.	★	★	★	★			★	★
Meng et al.	★	★	★	★	★		★	★
Morales et al.	★		★		★	★	★	★
Nguyen et al.	★	★	★		★	★	★	★
Oussalah et al.	★	★	★		★	★	★	
Palaiodimos et al.	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Raisi-Estabragh et al.	★	★	★	★	★		★	
Regina et al.	★	★	★	★	★		★	★
Rentsch et al.	★	★	★	★	★		★	★

Reynolds et al.	★	★	★		★		★	
Rossi et al.	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	
Sardu et al.	★	★	★	★	★	★		
Şenkal et al.	★	★	★		★	★	★	★
Tan et al.	★	★	★				★	★
Tedeschi et al.		★	★	★			★	★
Trecarichi et al.		★	★		★	★	★	
Yang et al.		★	★	★			★	★
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Zhou Feng et al.	★	★	★		★	★	★	
Zhou Jiandong et al.	★	★			★	★	★	★
Zhou Xian et al.	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★

Online Table 2. NOS for Assessment of Quality of Included Studies: Case-Control Studies

Study	Selection				Comparability		Exposure		
	Is the case definition adequate	Representative-ness of cases	Selection of controls	Definition of controls	Study controls for age/sex	Study controls for at least 3 additional factors	Ascertainment of exposure	Same method of ascertainment of exposure	Nonresponse rate
Bravi et al.	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Chang et al.	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Choi et al.	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
De Abajo et al.	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Ebinger et al.	★		★		★	★	★	★	
Fosbøl et al.	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	
Huh et al.	★	★	★	★	★		★	★	★
Ip et al.	★	★	★	★			★	★	
Jurado et al.	★	★	★	★	★		★	★	★
Li Juyi et al.	★	★	★	★	★		★	★	★
Mancia et al.	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Solaimanzadeh et al.	★	★	★	★			★	★	
Yan et al.	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Feng Yun et al.	★	★	★	★	★		★	★	★



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Title	1	Identify the report as a systematic review, meta-analysis, or both.	1
ABSTRACT			
Structured summary	2	Provide a structured summary including, as applicable: background; objectives; data sources; study eligibility criteria, participants, and interventions; study appraisal and synthesis methods; results; limitations; conclusions and implications of key findings; systematic review registration number.	2
INTRODUCTION			
Rationale	3	Describe the rationale for the review in the context of what is already known.	3
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Study selection	9	State the process for selecting studies (i.e., screening, eligibility, included in systematic review, and, if applicable, included in the meta-analysis).	3, 4
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RESULTS			
Study selection	17	Give numbers of studies screened, assessed for eligibility, and included in the review, with reasons for exclusions at each stage, ideally with a flow diagram.	5
Study characteristics	18	For each study, present characteristics for which data were extracted (e.g., study size, PICOS, follow-up period) and provide the citations.	5, 13
Risk of bias within studies	19	Present data on risk of bias of each study and, if available, any outcome level assessment (see item 12).	6
Results of individual studies	20	For all outcomes considered (benefits or harms), present, for each study: (a) simple summary data for each intervention group (b) effect estimates and confidence intervals, ideally with a forest plot.	5-7
Synthesis of results	21	Present results of each meta-analysis done, including confidence intervals and measures of consistency.	5-7
Risk of bias across studies	22	Present results of any assessment of risk of bias across studies (see Item 15).	7
Additional analysis	23	Give results of additional analyses, if done (e.g., sensitivity or subgroup analyses, meta-regression [see Item 16]).	7
DISCUSSION			
Summary of evidence	24	Summarize the main findings including the strength of evidence for each main outcome; consider their relevance to key groups (e.g., healthcare providers, users, and policy makers).	7
Limitations	25	Discuss limitations at study and outcome level (e.g., risk of bias), and at review-level (e.g., incomplete retrieval of identified research, reporting bias).	7, 8
Conclusions	26	Provide a general interpretation of the results in the context of other evidence, and implications for future research.	8
FUNDING			
Funding	27	Describe sources of funding for the systematic review and other support (e.g., supply of data); role of funders for the systematic review.	9

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